-Sponge cake: Two eggs, half cup of cream, one cup of sugar, one cup of flour, one teaspoonful of cream of tartar, half teaspoonful of soda; flavor to taste. Extra nice .- Cincinnati Times.

-Philip Craver, of Halfmoon, Saratoga County, N. Y., planted two potatoes (Beauty of Hebron variety) cut into fifty pieces, last spring. The yield was a well-filled barrel of good-sized tubers.

-Non-professional fruit growers would do well not to invest largely in new and high-priced varieties of fruit of any kind. There are plenty of good old sorts at reasonable prices for present use, and the new varieties will soon be cheap enough—some of them very cheap.—N. Y. Examiner.

-Quinces baked with the skins on are delicious when served warm; put one on a saucer at each plate. If mashed with a knife, the core is easily removed; then put on a little butter and plenty of sugar. In the process of baking, the quince loses the strong taste which is disagreeable to many, and retains a delicate flavor that is excellent .-- N. Y. Post.

-Occasionally touching the latches, locks and hinges of the doors with a drop of kerosene or a little tallow from the candle, and thus keeping them well lubricated, will insure the smooth and quiet shutting of the doors and prevent the jarring, grating or creaking so common in neglected cases. By this attention the doors and latches will last longer .- Prairie Farmer.

-Drop Cakes: One egg, or not, as you please, but will need more flour if not; one cup of sugar, one cup of molasses, one-half cup of lard or butter, (one cup of cream instead, if you have it, is nice), one cup of water, five cups of flour, more if you use cream; one tablespoonful of soda dissolved in the water, an even teaspoonful each of ginger and cassia, and a little salt. Drop with a teaspoon and knife on to a buttered tin, so that they will not run together .- Household.

-There are some curious things about corn, and one is, where do the red ears and the speckled ears come from when you don't plant any but white corn, and another is, why don't we find an ear with an odd number on it? You can find a four-leaf clover, but I have never found the odd row on an ear of corn yet. It is always 14 or 16 or 20 or some other even number, and it would be interesting to understand what corn knows about mathematics and what objection nature has to odd numbers .- American Farmer.

Seeding Wheat.

The waste of wheat seed by the ordinary processes of sowing or drilling is as obvious to every farmer of our days as it was when the parable of the "Sower" was written; and in the aggregate it amounts to an enormous loss. The ideal practice of seeding pretty closely carried out in the practice of a careful gardener, is to use just seed enough for each of the young plants to have room and space for that full development and spread of leaves or blades which are essential to the complete yield of a full product, and then to secure the even germination of every seed by putting all at an equal depth, covering evenly with a friable, easily penetrated mold, and pressing this into such close contact as will secure sufficient and steady moisture with access of humid air, but not in free, dry currents, for this is essential to the germination.

How different is the ordinary field practice! In broad-cast sowing some of the grains trickle to the bottom of the furrow while some remain barely hidden on the surface; and often not the half is placed in a condition for surviving the critical stage of sprouting and establishing roots and cereal blades that can maintain growth. The harrow packs the surface while often leaving air chambers beneath, which is just the reverse of what the young wheat plant requires. The drill allows the advantage of a prior harrowing and compacting of the soil, and it leaves the covering light and open, but often too much so, and generally very uneven in depth, for it is not uncommon in clayey soil to see portions of the drills quite uncovered, while, throughout, the covering is such that much of the grain trickles down among it, never reaching the proper depth, and being dangerously exposed to parching if the weather happens to be dry.

These risks, including that of dry weather, are all obviated if sound, fresh seed is put in at a uniform, moderate depth, and the mellow covering be pressed down upon it sufficiently to exclude actual currents of dry air, which would soon rob the soil surrounding the seed of the necessary moisture. - Rerat number of horses. A pair of these oxen New Yorker.

Hints to Swimmers.

When a swimmer gets chilled the blood ceases to circulate in the fingers, the finger-nails become a deathly white persist in staying in the water after these summer, stand working daily from symptoms develop he is sure to have eight to ten hours." cramps. So long as the swimmer can I swum for £400 at Scarborough, stay-cattle, and my team never balks, and ing in the water seventy-four hours. I is always ready to pull any reasonable use a preparation of porpoise oil, which load. -Captain Webb, in Boston Herald.

ain't that too bad!"-Chicago Herald | American Cultivator.

Oxen vs. Horses.

Patient of cold and of heat, enduring the rigor of winter and the fervor of summer, with an equanimity of temper and strength which Providence has bestowed on no other dumb animal save the camel of the desert; the ox bas been. in all times and in all climates, the most faithful and indispensable ally of man in subduing and bringing under

cultivation the ruggedness of the earth. The ox is not swift of foot, but on the contrary, "slow and sure." It is this quality of his character which renders him peculiarly valuable to the New England farmer. His slowness of motion in comparison with the horse has subjected him at times to some prejudice, and, by those who are anxious to see everything move by the force of steam, to a depreciation of his value. But I believe generally that the farmers of Massachusetts on this subject have adopted the proverb illustrated in Æsop's fable of the "Tortoise and the Hare"-"the greater haste, the less speed;" and indeed it has been already laid down as an axiom by a committee of farmers of Massachusetts, men who best ought to know the value of this animal, that the interests of the farmer, for most purposes, are best promoted by substituting the ox for the horse, and this for the following reasons: He is fed with less expense, is more patient of labor, and is more valuable when his ser-

vices are ended. The use of the mowing machine, which renders it necessary for the owner of one to keep a pair of horses, has diminished the number of working cattle in Eastern Massachusetts, and I am inclined to think all over New England. I am not disposed, however, to give up oxen on that account. The old proverb already quoted tells us, "The greater haste, the less speed," and there is certainly no nobler sight than a row of teams of working cattle at a plowing match, moving to and fro with slow and measured tread, obedient to the "haw" and "gee" of their drivers, as soldiers are to the command of their officers, and looking like the right arm of agricultural power in tilling the earth.

The philosophical German writers, who weigh arguments pro and con with great scientific accuracy and practical skill, have discussed at great length the question whether horses or oxen are most profitable on a farm.

Thaer thus gives both sides of the question: "Horses have an undeniable prefer-

ence in the following particulars: "They are suitable for all and every kind of work of land-husbandry, in all ways and in all weathers. One, therefore, when he keeps only horses, is not obliged to choose work for them, but can use his whole team for any business that occurs, and leave no part of it

to stand still. "They accomplish every kind of work more rapidly, and are more constant. One can, therefore, not only complete the work in the same time more promptly, but also require a longer day's work

"In favor of oxen are the following: "They perform the greater part of the work on the farm, as plowing, and the near carrying of loads as well as horses do; and one can, in a usual day's work, if they are well fed, expect nearly as much from them.

"They cost considerably less; their harness is much cheaper; their food costs much less.

"What is an important particular is, that if they are well taken care of, they lessen not so much in value, but often sell for more than they at first cost. They are also subject to fewer hazards and casualties.

"Finally, they give a greater quantity of excrement, which affords a more productive manure than that of horses. "There can, therefore, be no doubt that those labors which can be proportionally well performed by oxen, will be done cheaper with oxen than with horses. But if according to recent experiments another fodder than grain can be introduced for horses, and thus the expense be lessened, then the question between horses and oxen would

probably stand differently." The principal argument of the advocates for horses in this country appears to be the superiority of speed; yet the and if continued, she will have emerged well-trained, quick-stepping yoke of from the blackness of Congo to the bright oxen will plow an acre of ground much | color of the octoroon. The colored better, and in a shorter time, than a pair of horses would do it, unless the horses are made to trot while plowing; and they will get in a ton of hay in as short a time, if not quicker. Gov. Isaac perience in this matter is quite recent, know that you can boss something.—and of course limited. I have at this Norristown Herald. time cattle of my own raising, which, having been taught to step quickly and having worked in the same team with horses, will, side by side, travel as fast and plow as much in a day as the same will turn over with a plow that carried twelve inches of the last year's corn or potato ground, or easy stubble land, from one and a half to two acres in a day, working eight hours, four in the forenoon and four in the afternoon. Oxen well fed with hay and a portion of color, the lips turn blue, and should he Indian corn or meal, will, in the heat of

In breeding horses the breeder has in discern spots on his finger-nails he view the possession of strength and knows that his blood is in good order, speed in his animal, but true economy and that he is safe and free from chills. | compels the farmer who breeds cattle to I have been remarkably free from chills, keep in view, and combine as far as he and feel most at ease when in the salt can, cattle which make good oxen, good water under a hot sun. Salt water milking cows, and which take on fat seems to attract the heat, and, no mat- readily. While the Devons may make ter what the temperature of the water, the quickest-stepping oxen, and Ayrunder these circumstances I feel warm. shires and Jerseys may give the most I have on some occasions swum so as to and richest milk, and the Herefords keep my body under water, but even in may take on fat the easiest, the Shortsuch instances on coming out I have horns combine all these qualities. One found my back and limbs blistered. reason why I have raised Shorthorns This shows the penetration of the heat for many years is that I raise my own from the rays of the sun on the water. oxen as well as my cows. I am thus On one occasion, since I was here last, sure of having tractable, well-behaved

I rub over all my body, even my face. Another reason why I advocate the The oil fills up the pores of the skin and raising and keeping of oxen is that it keeps the salt water from permeating furnishes pleasing employment for the my vitals. All professionals now use oil. boys on a farm when the steers are broken in the winter time. I have seen yokes of yearling steers harnessed to a -The only evidence of feeling be- sled, which were docile and obedient, trayed by a Montreal woman who was and enabled the lad who had broken sent for the forty-first time to the work- them to give the girls in the vicinity an house was in the exclamation, "Now, occasional sled-ride. - B. P. Poole. in

Keep Out the Cold Air.

It is much better to have the ventilation under control than to have a constant inpouring of air, no matter how cold it may be. The windows, especially in houses built as cheaply as possible, let in all around (and particularly where the two sashes meet) an astonishing amount of air, so much that in severe weather it is almost impossible to make the room comfortably warm. By checking this inflow of cold air from without, the same amount of fuel that before failed to make the room warm enough will be so much more effective that considerably less coal or wood will be burned. "Weather strips" of various kinds have been invented to be used around windows and doors for the purpose to which we have referred. The essential part of these is a narrow strip of rather stiff India-rubber fabric, attached to a strip of wood or metal, which may be fastened to the window in such a manner that the rubber will cover the cracks between the sashes and the frames, and elsewhere. These strips are very useful, but are not to be had in all places; besides, while not very costly, they involve an outlay which many would gladly avoid. Before the rubber strips were introduced woolen ones were in common use. The material known as "list" or "listing," the marginal strips being woven on broadcloth and other goods, is convenient, and costs little or nothing. This material is not obtainable everywhere, nor is it the best substitute for the window strips. By pasting strips of paper around the sashes the current of air can be kept out quite as completely as by any other method. Brown paper will answer as well as any, and if the job be neatly done, it will not be unsightly. When no longer needed, the paper may be pulled off after it has been wetted with warm water. One sash in each room should be left for necessary ventilation, and some movable strip, such as lath, covered with cloth, provided to close its cracks if necessary. A strip of board or plank, covered with some fabric, to be used to close the crack at the bottom of each door, will be found very useful .- Amercan Agriculturist.

De Mortuis.

"It am my painful dooty," said the President of the Limekiln Club, as he opened the meeting, "to inform you dat death has again invaded our circle. Brudder Slipback Burbanks, of Syracuse, N. Y., am no mo' on airth. He breathed his last three days ago, after an illness of sixteen days. What axshun will de club take in de matter.

"I move dat we send de widder a resolushun of sympathy," announced Judge Cadaver.

"I reckon dat we had better resolve dat de club has lost a shinin' light," timidly added Pickles Smith.

"De club will neither resolve nor for'd any resolushuns of sympathy," remarked the President. "De widder an' chill'en can't eat a resolushun, eben if written in blue ink. De Seckretary will mail her a ten-dollar greenback from de club funds, an' express de hope dat she am doin' well under de circumstances.

"Dis club hasn't lost no shinin' light by de death of Brudder Burbanks. He was no shiner. Fact am, he was a werry common sort of a hump-backed cull'd pusson, an' it took him as long to add seven an' eight togeder as it would some odder men to airn two dollars. He was accomplished in nothing; he excelled only in killin' time when at work by de day. He would be no better off if we pronounced forty lyin' eulogies on his character. He can be no worse off if we tell de honest truth. De usual emblem of sorrow will be hung to de knob of de inner doah fur de space of two weeks, an' we will remember Brudder Burbanks as extremely good-natured, eben if extremely lazy."—Detroit Free

-The spectacle of a colored woman, one perfectly black, turning white in streaks and blotches, was seen at the City Hall last evening. Her head, face, neck, hands, arms and feet present the appearance of a camelopard. The change has been going on for two years. people say it is from the richness of her blood .- Augusta (Ga.) Chronicle.

-Instead of buying a house and lot with his money a dandy actor has put Hill, of New Hampshire, in a letter dated Dec. 3, 1843, said: "My own exciate like real estate, and it is so nice to

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THE Rev. Penstock arose in his usual graceful manner and announced that he was in receipt of several trivate letters suggesting that the Lime-Kiln Club form itself into military organization and be prepared to rush to the defense of its country in time of peril. The idea struck him as 16x24, and he hoped that it would prevail. "In case of sich as organizishun have we de right man for a kurne! !" asked the President. "I—I—that is—well, I sp eks I know sunthin' bout de kurnel b ziness," stammered Penstock. "An' so do I!" added thirteen other members in chorus. "Am der any member in dis hall to-night who knows how to be a private soldier?" asked the President. The silence for the next thirty seconds could have been knocked down by a crowbar. "De subjeck am rostponed," continued Brother Garlier.
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THE E-yptian emblem of a snake with its tail in its mouth was the earliest sign of the "swallow-tail."-Detroit Post.

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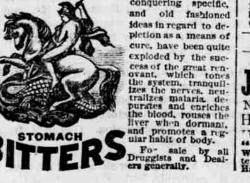
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